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In re Application of )  
Jonathan S. STAMLER, et al. )  
Patent Application No. TBA )  
Filed: TBA )  
For: PREVENTING DESENSITIZATION )  
OF RECEPTORS )

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment in the continuation of application no. 10/280,085, filed concurrently herewith.

Please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the paragraph under the title of page 1 of the application with the following rewritten paragraph:

**--Cross-Reference to Related Applications**

This is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 10/280,085, filed on October 25, 2003, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/986,807, filed on November 13, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,472,390.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel Claims 2-16.